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to form a commission to assist the Ministry of Finance in further working out the budget reforms. A suggestion box will be maintained.

The conference considers it advisable for the Ministry of Finance of the DDR to strengthen its contact, through the Länder, with the cities, the Landkreise and the counties.

It is recommended that the Government of the DDR strenuously prosecute offenders against the Budgetary Reform and publicize the sentences given.

The participants of the Budgetary Reform Conference consider that it is essential for the appropriate departments to formulate the following directives as soon as possible:

- a) the directive concerning the appointment and tasks of the individual budgetary workers,
- b) the new Budget Directive,
- c) the new municipal finance law,
- d) the new directives for the communal economic enterprises.

In the interest of obtaining the cooperation of the population it is recommended that the Ministry of Finance of the DDR issue analyses of budget statistics for the various municipalities for the fiscal year of 1950.

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In the Länder and Kreise administrative bookkeeping courses will be initiated, coordination established with the Deutsche Notenbank branches, bookkeeping set up and all necessary steps taken so that by 1 January 1951 financial work can be accomplished in accordance with the Budgetary Reform.

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* [redacted] Comment: It has been made public that the essential elements of the 1951 DDR Budget Reform are:

- 1) Coordination of the impersonal accounts and the chapters of the budget plans with the individual details of the Five Year Plan.
- 2) Introduction of property accounting.
- 3) Introduction of a uniform governmental accounting system.
- 4) Transition of banking transactions to the Deutsche Notenbank.

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